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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

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Title:

Moulded Articles of Cellulose Hydrate With Enzymatically

Modified Surface

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Examiner:

S. Hon

Art Unit:

1772

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated November 19, 2002, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant has enclosed with this amendment a Petition for Extension of Time to make this response timely. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.